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Bastrop County Health Authority Confirms Seven New Positive COVID-19 Cases in Elgin April 10, 2020

The Bastrop County Health Department has confirmed today eight (8) new COVID-19 positive-test cases over the past two days, bringing the revised total of all such cases in Bastrop County to twenty-six (26).

<u>Seven (7) of these eight new cases are residents of the City of Elgin</u> - or the immediate Elgin area. Of the Bastrop County total, 12 of the 26 cases are from the Elgin community.

People who are COVID-19 positive are required to remain in home medical isolation by the Department of State Health Services as per the Texas Health and Safety Code for a period of fourteen (14) days or until they are released by their medical provider.

"This situation provides a clear example of community spread and what can occur when individuals do not conform to COVID-19 quarantine protocols," said City of Elgin Police Chief Patrick South. "Given the information recently provided by the Health Authority, we had anticipated that more positive tests were likely to occur in Elgin."

All members of the Elgin community are compelled to actively participate in the protocols and orders issued by the State of Texas and Bastrop County to fight the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

"While it is Easter weekend and we would normally gather with friends and family, we must stay home," said Mayor Chris Cannon. "Please join together with me and take every precaution to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus by staying home and following recommended precautions."

In order to protect yourself, your family, friends, and neighbors and to stop the spread of COVID-19 we must all stay home, leave home only for essential trips which should be conducted by one person of your household, wear cloth face coverings when in public places, participate in social distancing – keeping at least six feet between you and any other people, do not gather in groups outside your immediate household, and wash your hands.

The trusted sources for the latest accurate information about novel coronavirus are the City of Elgin, Bastrop County Office of Emergency Management, and Bastrop County. For general questions, residents should call the COVID-19 Hotline at (512) 303-4300. For those not having a primary care physician at this time, the Ascension COVID-19 Hotline at (833) 978-0649 can provide assistance. Please contact us directly at the number below with any questions; or monitor the City's website for regular updates regarding the Coronavirus Pandemic

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